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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed 9/18/08 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Applicant argues on page 9 that the combination of Watanabe and Yong is not proper and Watanabe teaches the pickup units must be at the same radius. The examiner maintains this rejection because Watanabe teaches it being ideal to have the pickup units at the same radius; however, Watanabe cannot accomplish this because there is a problem of overwriting the test data. Yong solves this problem by coupling the read/write heads. The apply the teaching of Yong to achieve the desired results of Watanabe would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JOSEPH HALEY whose telephone number is (571)272-0574. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30am-5pm.

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